

**568.16 Purchase money refunded.**

If the grantee of the state, or the grantee's successors, administrators, or assigns, shall be deprived of the land conveyed by the state under this chapter by the final decree of a court of record for the reason that the conveyance by the state passed no title whatever to the land therein described, because title thereto had previously for any reason been vested in others, then the money so paid the state for the said land shall be refunded by the state to the person or persons entitled thereto, provided the said grantee, or the grantee's successors, administrators, or assigns, shall file a certified copy of the transcript of the said final decree with the executive council within one year from the date of the issuance of such decree, and shall also file satisfactory proof with the executive council that the action over the title to the land was commenced within ten years from the date of the issuance of patent or deed by the state. The amount of money to be refunded under the provisions of this section shall be certified by the executive council to the director of the department of administrative services, who shall draw a warrant therefor, and the same shall be paid out of the general fund.

[S13, §2900-a13; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §10236; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §568.16]

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